

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims below by deleting items with a strikeout (i.e. ~~patent~~) or brackets / double brackets(i.e., [patent] or [[patent]]) and adding items with an underline (i.e. patent).

1. (Currently Amended) A universal, adjustable boat [[casting]] platform comprising:
a [[generally C-shaped,]] telescopically adjustable tubular framework [[adapted to be fittingly attached]] coupled between bench seats of a [[conventional]] V-hull boat; and
a vertically adjustable [[casting]] seat.

2. (Currently Amended) An adjustable boat platform insert for installation upon a
[[conventional]] V-bottom boat comprising:
a platform for providing a flat, level, stable and elevated surface from which to perform fishing operations from;
a frame attached to an inside of [[an otherwise conventional]] a V-bottom boat; and
a captive pin set for securing said [[a]] platform to said [[a]] frame.

3. (Original) The adjustable boat platform insert of Claim 2, wherein said captive pin set secures said platform to said frame at six locations, two at the forward corners, two at the middle, and two at the aft corners.

4. (Original) The adjustable boat platform insert of Claim 2, further comprising a central seat in a central location affixed to a seat support stand which is mounted to said frame.

5. (Original) The adjustable boat platform insert of Claim 2, further comprising a plurality of storage compartments around said platform.

6. (Currently Amended) The adjustable boat platform insert of Claim 2, wherein first adjustable pins provides an adjustment point to allow said frame to fit [[a]] said [[conventional]] V-bottom boat of varying sizes.

7. (Original) The adjustable boat platform insert of Claim 5, wherein said plurality of storage compartments are selected from the group comprising:

a forward access hatch; a rear access hatch; an anchor access hatch; port storage compartment; starboard storage compartment; and thermally insulated cooler.

8. (Currently Amended) A universal, adjustable platform comprising:

a [[generally C-shaped,]] telescopically adjustable tubular framework;

a vertically adjustable casting seat;

a platform for providing a flat, level, stable and elevated surface from which to perform fishing operations from; and

a captive pin set for securing said a platform said a frame.

9. (Original) The universal, adjustable platform of Claim 8, further comprising:

intermediate support connectable to said tubular framework for respectively connecting two said adjustable platforms side by side.

10. (Currently Amended) The universal, adjustable platform of [[Claim8]] Claim 8, further comprising intermediate supports comprise a double long footings equipped to mount platforms end to end.

11. (Original) The universal, adjustable platform of Claim 8, further comprising:

intermediate support connectable to said tubular framework for respectively connecting two said adjustable platforms side by side; and

intermediate supports comprise a double long footings equipped to mount platforms end to end.